

# Gothic Castle Estate

**Region:** County Galway **Sleeps:** 18

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## Overview

Gothic Castle Estate is an enchanting and historic property set within a private estate near Gort, County Galway, overlooking its own secluded lake. This striking Gothic castle offers a truly unique and luxurious retreat, rich in character and heritage.

Inside, the castle features nine elegant bedrooms accommodating up to eighteen guests, along with beautifully appointed reception rooms that are ideal for private gatherings, celebrations and formal dining. The property is always rented on an exclusive basis, ensuring complete privacy and a truly personalised experience.

Outside, the estate is home to mature woodlands, landscaped gardens and scenic walking and cycling trails, inviting guests to fully immerse themselves in the natural surroundings. The private lake is a haven for anglers, offering exclusive pike fishing in a tranquil and unspoilt setting. Guests can also enjoy the estate's exclusive clay pigeon shooting range, as well as guided fallow deer stalking by arrangement.

Located approximately 40 minutes from Shannon Airport and 45 minutes from Galway City, Gothic Castle Estate is perfectly positioned for exploring the west of Ireland, including the dramatic landscapes of the Wild Atlantic Way and the iconic Cliffs of Moher. The surrounding area offers a wealth of cultural and recreational activities, from historic sites and golf courses to charming towns and local attractions. Gothic Castle Estate combines privacy, heritage and refined country living to create a truly memorable Irish escape.

## Facilities

Golf Nearby • Walking/Hiking Paths • Chateaux & Castles • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Parties • Weddings • Stag/Hen Allowed • Fishing • Special Offer • Has Discount • Quirky (Unique) • Cots (Cribs) • Wow Factor • Ideal for Teens • Beach Nearby • Heritage Collection • Wi-Fi/Internet • Country Estate • Waterfront • Lakes and Mountains • Rural Location • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Indoor Games • DVD • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Conference Facilities • Caretaker/Owner on Site • High Chair(s)



# Interior & Grounds

## Ground Floor

- Great hall
- Saloon
- Gough Room
- Dining Room



## First Floor

- Four poster bedroom (double with ensuite, roll top bath and shower)
- Library bedroom (double with ensuite, roll top bath and shower)
- Nannies bedroom (small double with ensuite, roll top bath)
- Rollo's bedroom (double and single with separate bathroom)

## Second Floor

- French bedroom (double and single with ensuite shower)
- Round bedroom (double with separate roll top bath and shower room)
- Yellow Bedroom (double with roll top bath and separate third floor WC)

## Third Floor

- Dom's bedroom (double with separate shared shower room)
- Twin bedroom (twin room with separate shared shower room)

*Access to the First floor is via the main staircase, access to the Second and Third floors are via small tower spiral staircases.*



## Location & Local Information

The castle is located just a short distance from Galway City and is conveniently positioned for access to Shannon International Airport.

### Fishing:

The lake is a completely private fishery and, as such, has not suffered the fate of many of the country's other lakes with invasive species such as the Zebra Mussel and algal bloom taking hold. There are many large and smaller pike, as well as some perch and rumours of one or two large trout. Exclusivity means that only one boat can be on the lake at any one time, with no more than two anglers per boat. The castle provides the boat and engine, lifejackets (if required), maps and related equipment. Limited tackle can be rented, and a fishfinder is also available.

### Shooting:

Many of the estate's woodlands were planted in the late 1700s and 1800s specifically with the sport of shooting in mind. At the end of the nineteenth century, the estate was famous throughout Ireland for the quality and number of woodcock presented and, on an average day, the bag also included pheasant, duck and partridge.

Nowadays, guests can enjoy an exclusive clay pigeon shooting range on the estate.

Fallow deer are plentiful across the estate. For a small fee, the estate's Deer Stalker can take guests out on foot, and for more adventurous guests who wish to shoot, there are mature heads available for trophy hunters. The meat can be processed by arrangement.

### Equestrian (local options):

While horse riding is no longer available on the estate itself due to insurance restrictions, there are excellent equestrian opportunities nearby. Local hunting includes the Galway Blazers, the North Galway Hunt, East Galway Hunt and the North Clare Hunt. There are also local riding groups, such as the "Turkey Trotters" based near Gort.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Shannon (45km)</b>
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Nearest Ferry Port	<b>Dublin / Rosslare (225km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Gort (4km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Gort (4km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Shanaglish (4km)</b>
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>Shanaglish (3.5 km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Kinvara (20km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Gort (4km)</b>

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## What we love

- Exclusive lakeside setting with breathtaking views and complete privacy on a sprawling 1000-acre estate.
- Luxurious interiors designed by John Nash, featuring nine elegant bedrooms and grand reception rooms.
- Exceptional outdoor activities, including private pike fishing, pheasant and duck shooting, and scenic nature trails.
- Prime location near Galway City and the Cliffs of Moher, with easy access to Shannon Airport and the Wild Atlantic Way.

## What you should know...

- Due to the castle's historic nature, some rooms may have uneven flooring or slightly lower doorways.
- The estate is expansive, and some outdoor areas, including trails and wooded paths, may not be suitable for those with limited mobility.
- There is a private lake on the property, so children should be supervised at all times when near the water.
- As the castle is a family home, certain areas may contain personal items or memorabilia.
- Pricing and minimum stay may vary during special events e.g. the Ryder Cup. Please enquire for an accurate quote.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €1000. This is paid on arrival and will be refunded in full after departure subject to damage inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m.
- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Please note that there are no lifts/elevators at the castle. 3 self-catering cottages can be hired in conjunction with the castle for groups of up to 39 guests. Please enquire for more information and pricing.
- **End of stay cleaning:** Standard changeover clean included in the price. Guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Smoking and vaping are not permitted.
- **Other 2:** Pricing and minimum stay may vary during special events e.g. the Ryder Cup. Please enquire for an accurate quote.
- **Minimum stay:** 3 nights.